

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia, Pa.,

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,

15. Decem., 1885.

My dear Doctor

I have missed you for a number of days past and was very sorry to learn that it was because of illness.

I have your kind letter of this morning and learn that your physician directs you to lie by for a few days longer. We wish you to comply with his instructions to the letter as we cannot afford to have you suffering for any great length of time. Don't give yourself any concern about the business at the Mint: it shall be managed sufficiently well to prevent any embarrassment, though

perhaps not so well as if the Professor
was here. If you are not well enough
it won't matter; we think too much
of you to have you run any risks.

I will say in the line of business
we are having an industrious time
this month, and with excellent results.
I miss the light of your countenance
very much, especially because it gives
us comfort when you are here
Believe me

Very truly yours

Dan M. Fox

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